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Senate No. SJR0067 By McNally

A RESOLUTION to honor Boy Scout Troop 129 upon their 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the future of our state depends on the progress, productivity, and positive contributions young people make to society; and

WHEREAS, for almost 100 years the Boy Scouts of America have worked to improve the quality of life in communities throughout our great nation; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 129 is one such group whose efforts to develop the character and citizenship of boys and young adults, as well as their mental and physical fitness, should not go unrecognized; and

WHEREAS, in March of this year, this admirable troop will be celebrating their 50th anniversary; the first troop in the Oak Ridge area to reach such a significant milestone; and

WHEREAS, the rich history of Troop 129 began in 1945 as they were sponsored by the American Society of Safety Engineers; and

WHEREAS, in 1949, the Kiwanis Club of Oak Ridge became sponsors for this laudable group of youths and continues to sponsor the troop today, some forty-five years later; and

WHEREAS, since the troop's inception, five men have given unreservedly of themselves as Scoutmasters, including the first Scoutmaster, William T. Black; Scoutmasters Ernest

Hobson, Charles Floyd, and Charles Abeln; and current Scoutmaster, Tom Moore, who has served for twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George Burke has also been a significant contributor to Troop 129 as a committee chairman and institutional representative for many years; and

WHEREAS, the highest achievement a Boy Scout can attain is the rank of Eagle Scout, and this prestigious troop has had the opportunity to see sixty-six members join the distinct Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, at a time when the youth of our country face tremendous challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of this nation's greatest assets, just as Troop 129 is a great asset to Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor Boy Scout Troop 129 for fifty years of excellence, congratulate them on their anniversary, and wish them much continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be sent to Senator McNally for presentation to Troop 129 with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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